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U.S. EMBASSY CLOSED ON MONDAY FOR AMERICAN HOLIDAY

The U.S. Embassy will be closed on Monday, October 10, 2011, in observance of the American holiday, Columbus Day.

This holiday commemorates the first voyage of the Italian navigator Christopher Columbus, who sailed in search of the New World in 1492.

The following sites have interesting information about this American holiday:

<http://www.history.com/topics/columbus-day>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9r-B3s9HEqY>

All Embassy services, including visa and American passport and notary services, will resume operations on Tuesday, October 11.

The Embassy phone number for after-hours emergencies is (03) 2168-5000.